THIS IS A FAIRY TALE ABOUT THE QUEEN OF THE LAKE-SIDE, AND A YOUNG BOY KNIGHT.

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HOW WOULD YOU LIKE TO LIVE IN THIS COUNTRY OF ABSOLUTE HAPPINESS, RULED OVER BY THE ABSOLUTE QUEEN, SIREN?
THIS IS THE HAPPINESS AND PEACE OF MIND COMMITTEE.
HAPPINESS OP. 2
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I AM QUEEN OF THE STATE OF LAKESIDE PARK CITY, SIREN.
THESE EYES ARE MADE TO WATCH OVER THE PERFECT HAPPINESS OF THE CIT-IZENS OF MY DOMAIN OVER ALL ELSE.
THEY EXIST TO WATCH OVER THE HAPPY EVERYDAY LIFE THAT MY HAPPY CITIZENS ENJOY.
I HAVE GROWN MY HAIR LONG...
...TO USE AS ANTENNAE TO PICK UP ALL OF THE RADIO AND SOUND WAVES OF THIS CITY.
I USE THEM TO LISTEN TO THE VOICES OF MY CITIZENS.

I EXIST FOR THE SAKE OF THE CITIZENS.
I AM HERE FOR THE SAKE OF THEIR HAPPINESS AND PEACE OF MIND.
I WATCH OVER THE HAPPY CITIZENS.
I SING THIS SONG OF HAPPINESS FOR THEM.
It is your duty to be happy.
It is your duty to be happy.
It is your duty to be happy.

It is your duty to be happy.
FROM THE HEIGHT OF THE RADIO TOWER THAT SOARS OVER THEM...
Are you happy?
It's your duty, you know!
Are you performing your duty?
...WATCHING OVER THE CITIZENS...
...IS THE HAPPY ROUTINE OF QUEEN SIREN.

BUT THIS WORLD IS STILL NOT PERFECT.
WHY IS THAT?

MY "EYES"...
...ARE WATCHING OVER EVERYTHING, AND YET...
THERE ARE STILL THOSE DISSIDENTS OF UNHAPPINESS, DISSATISFACTION, AND INSOLENCE.

THEIR CONTIN-UED EXIS-TENCE...
CLACK
...KEEPS THIS COUNTRY FROM...
...ACHIEVING 100% PURE HAPPINESS.
HER MAJESTY.
GRIN
JOKER KUHLEBORN...
YES, MA'AM!

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THE INSIDE OF THIS ICE CREAM BAR.
WHIP! WHIP!
WELL.
EVEN SO, THEY'RE MUCH LIKE...
!
AND SO EVEN THE UNHAPPY ELEMENT HAS...
...THEIR OWN IMPORTANT DUTY TO PERFORM.
LIKE THE RAISINS INTERSPERSED IN THIS VANILLA ICE CREAM...
...THEY ADD A FAINT TASTE...
...A FLAVOR THAT CANNOT BE REPLACED.
THAT IS, UNTIL WE TAKE A BITE OUT OF THEM...

.....
...AND THEN THERE IS NO LONGER A PROBLEM!
ONDINE <NO.01 _ 771> IS REPORTING TO ME ABOUT AN ACCIDENT.

OH MY GOODNESS, WHAT A DISASTER.
A CAR HAS HIT A HUMAN BEING!
HOW INCAUTIOUS.
WAIT A MOMENT... NO.
LOOK AT THE DISSATISFIED EXPRESSION OF THE DRIVER!
IT'S AS IF HE'S SAYING, "I'VE DONE NOTHING WRONG!"
"HOW COULD THIS ACCIDENT HAVE HAPPENED TO ME?"
AH, THAT'S NO GOOD AT ALL.

QUITE HONESTLY...
...THIS IS THE RESULT OF THOSE UNHAPPY DISSIDENTS.
KUHLE-BORN...
WAS THAT REALLY AN ACCIDENT?
OUR TRAF-FIC OVERVIEW SYSTEM IS SUP-POSED TO BE PERFECTLY SAFE, PERFECTLY SECURE.
IF THE COLLISION PREVENTION SYSTEM WAS WORKING, NO ONE WOULD HAVE CROSSED.
INDEED, THE CAR WOULD HAVE STOPPED IF SOMEONE HAD.
THAT DID NOT HAPPEN.

WE MUST TRANSPORT THE VICTIM TO THE HOSPITAL.
BRING IN THE DRIVER AT ONCE.
YOU ARE INDEED CORRECT, YOUR MAJESTY!
THIS IS THE WORK OF THE INSIDIOUS UNHAPPINESS ELEMENT!
IF WE CAN'T GIVE HIM BACK HIS FORMER HAPPY BODY...
BUT OF COURSE!
WE'LL ALLOW THEM TO CHOOSE TO BE EUTH-ANIZED.
THERE'S NO WAY TO CONTINUE LIVING ONCE YOU HAVE BECOME UNHAPPY!
SO PLEASE, BE AT PEACE.
EVERYTHING WILL GO PERFECTLY TO PLAN.
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THE REST...
...IS UP TO THEM.
I HOPE IT GOES WELL.

THERE IS NO NEED FOR PARDON WITH SUCH AN ARROGANT AND DANGEROUS ELEMENT.
THIS IS A WAR STARTED BY THOSE UNHAPPINESS EXTREMISTS TO DISRUPT OUR PERFECT PEACE AND HAPPINESS.
EVEN THE SMALLEST GERM OF UNHAPPINESS COULD SOMEDAY GROW INTO SOMETHING LARGE, IF LEFT UNTOUCHED.
THIS IS TO PROTECT THE HAPPINESS AND SAFETY OF MY PEOPLE!
I MUST NOT LET THE ACTIONS OF THESE EXTREMISTS GO IGNORED.
YOUR MAJESTY?

THIS RADICAL HID A BANNED BOOK IN A SAFE IN THE ROYAL LIBRARY.
WHICH EXTREMIST WILL I BE FREEING FROM MISERY TODAY?
THE TIME FOR FREE EXECUTIONS IS UPON US.
ALL THAT IS IMPORTANT IS, IS THIS PERSON HAPPY OR UNHAPPY?
THAT IS ALL.
I NEED HEAR NO MORE.
THE TITLE WAS "THE BASILISKS"--
...IN AN EFFORT TO FIND THE HAPPINESS HE SOUGHT!
HIS MISERY WAS SO INTENSE THAT HE WENT SO FAR AS TO HIDE AWAY A FORBIDDEN TOME...
OH. WELL, YOUR MAJESTY. HE'S A VERY MISERABLE PERSON, INDEED!
WHAT SORT OF PUNISHMENT WILL SUCH A GUILTY MAN BE SUBJECT TO?

OF COURSE...
...IN MY INFINITE MERCY I WILL ALLOW HIM TO FREELY CHOOSE HIS OWN PENALTY.
It's your duty, you know!
SHP
SHP
SHP
Are you performing your duty?
Are you happy?

If you are not happy, you may choose...
SHING
FREE EXECUTION ARENA
Hanging...
Behead-ing...
Firing squad...
Boiling alive...
Drowning...
EVEN THE UNHAPPY DISSIDENTS...
...DO NOT DESERVE A CRUEL DEATH PENALTY.
ROBBING THEM OF THEIR RIGHT TO FREEDOM AND SECURITY WOULD BE TERRIBLE.
BUT... WHO WAS IT THAT...
...TAUGHT ME THAT?

Stoning...
Live burial...
Electrocution...
Poisoning...
Burning...
Being sawed apart...
...or crucifixion.
Please choose the death you would like.
YOUR MAJESTY!
GIVE THE DISSIDENT A HAPPY DEATH!
YOUR MAJESTY!
WE ARE PERFECTLY HAPPY!

ALLOW HIM TO FREELY CHOOSE HIS HAPPY DEATH!
WELL, NOW.
WHICH WOULD YOU PREFER?
BEING ABLE TO CHOOSE THE WAY I AM PUT TO DEATH...
...MAKES ME TRULY HAPPY!!

MAJESTY!
MAJESTY!
MAJESTY!
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*HANGING, BURNING
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*HANGING

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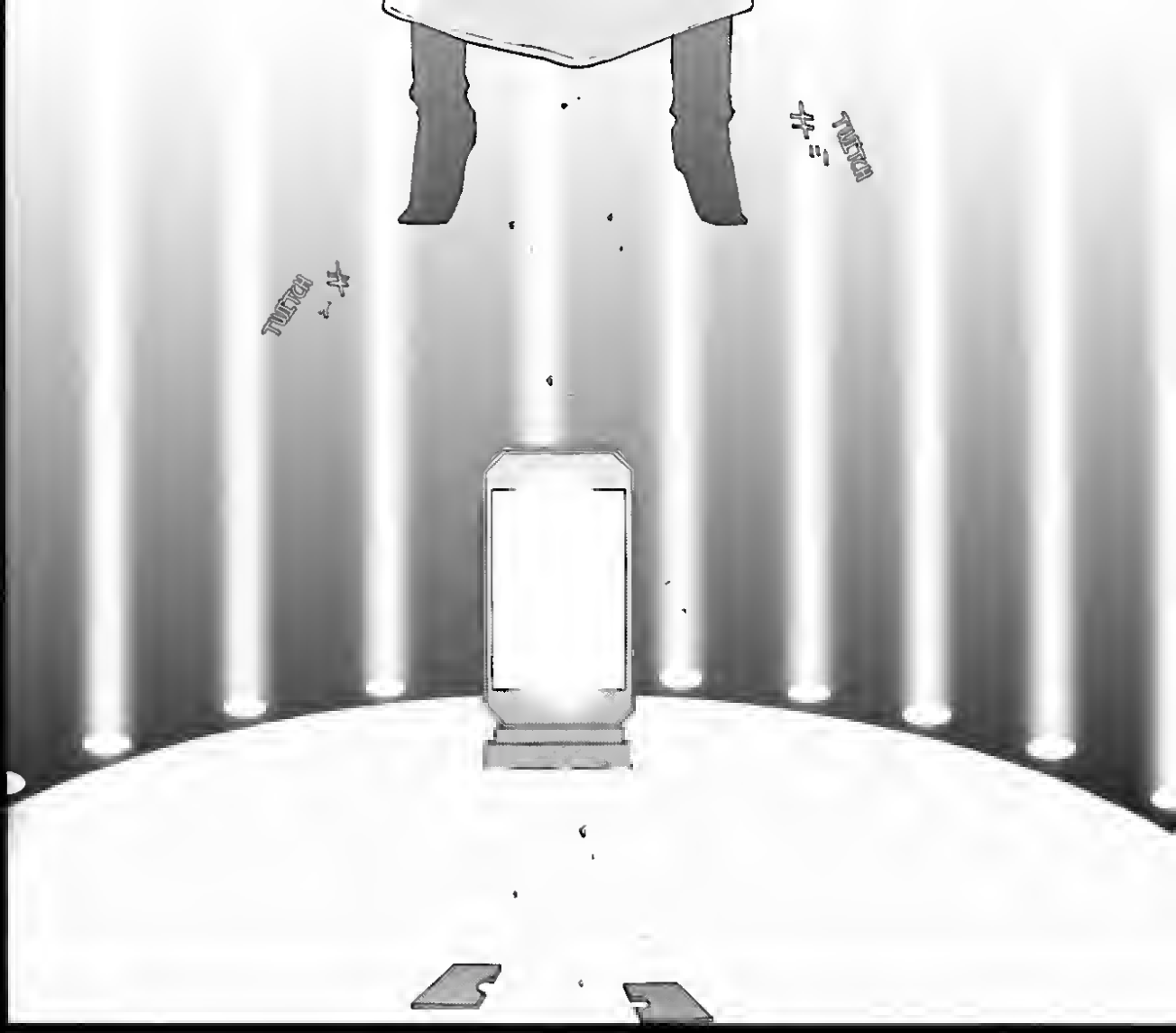
SHK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TWITCH

LAKESIDE PARK CITY
CITIZEN HAPPINESS QUOTIENT
UP!

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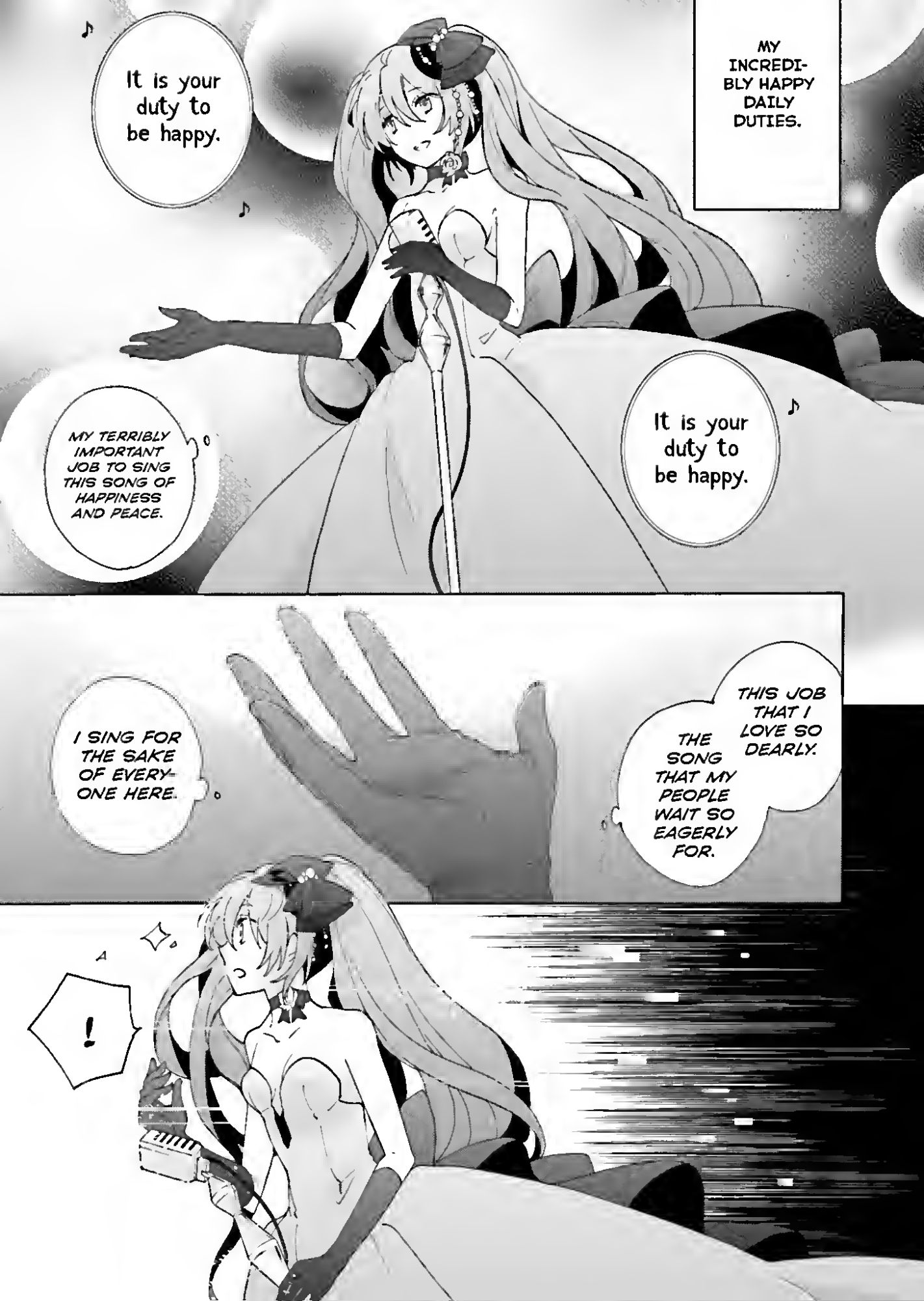
YAAAAAAY!
WONDER-FUL!
REFORMED FROM THE DEPTHS OF HIS SOUL.
HE WAS SAVED FROM UNHAPPI-NESS.
AND NOW THAT THE CITIZENS OF THE CITY-STATE HAVE SEEN HIM PUT TO DEATH...
...THEY CAN NOW GO ON WITH THEIR PACEFUL AND HAPPY LIVES...
...FOREVER, WITHOUT ANY ISSUES.
...INDEED.

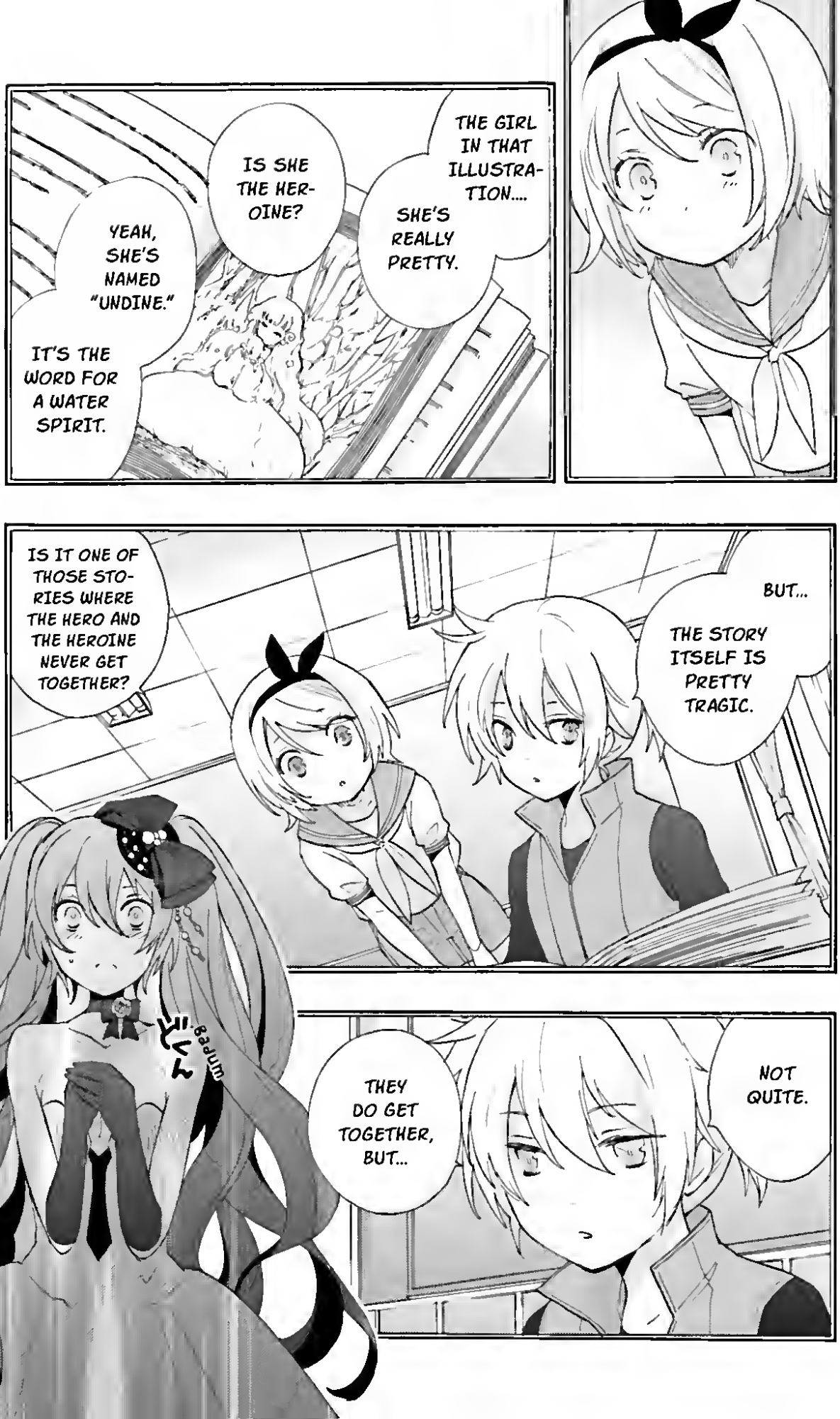
MAJESTY!!
MAJESTY!!
MAJESTY!!
YAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAY!
THEY SURELY CAN.
THIS IS MY JOB, AS SIREN.


It is your duty to be happy.
MY INCREDIBLY HAPPY DAILY DUTIES.
MY TERRIBLY IMPORTANT JOB TO SING THIS SONG OF HAPPINESS AND PEACE.
It is your duty to be happy.
I SING FOR THE SAKE OF EVERYONE HERE.
THE SONG THAT MY PEOPLE WAIT SO EAGERLY FOR.
THIS JOB THAT I LOVE SO DEARLY.
A
!

IN THE SAME WAY THAT I WEAVE MY SONG INTO THE PSYCHOLOGY OF THE CITIZENS OF MY CITY-STATE...
...SOMETHING IS COMING FROM OUTSIDE AND INTO ME.
WHAT?
SOMETHING HAS BEGUN TO WORK AT ME.
I AM THE PERFECT AND ABSOLUTE QUEEN OF LAKESIDE, SIREN.
WHAT IS THIS STRANGE AND OBSCURE TERRITORY IN MY VISION?
WHO IS IT?
WHO IS IT?
WHAT IS BEING SENT TO ME?

WHO--
A BOY?
IN A CLASS-ROOM?
HE SHOULDN'T BE ABLE TO SEE ME...
AND YET HE IS SENDING SOMETHING TO ME.
I CAN-NOT...
...TEAR MY EYES AWAY.
WHAT IS THIS?
LEN!

ISN'T THAT A PAPER BOOK?
IT LOOKS OLD.
IS IT GOOD?
IT'S ALL RIGHT.
LEN!
WHAT ARE YOU READ-ING?
FOUQUÉ'S "UNDINE."
IT'S AN OLD FOREIGN STORY.
I DIDN'T EVEN SAY I WANTED TO BOR-ROW IT!
IT'S EXPEN-SIVE, SO I'M NOT GOING TO LEND IT TO YOU.
I HAVE NO IDEA WHEN YOU'D RETURN IT, AFTER ALL.
BUT...
FINE.
YOU GAVE ME...
...A WAY NICER THING...
...ALREADY, ANYWAY.


THE GIRL IN THAT ILLUSTRATION....
SHE'S REALLY PRETTY.
IS SHE THE HEROINE?
YEAH, SHE'S NAMED "UNDINE."
IT'S THE WORD FOR A WATER SPIRIT.
IS IT ONE OF THOSE STORIES WHERE THE HERO AND THE HEROINE NEVER GET TOGETHER?
BUT...
THE STORY ITSELF IS PRETTY TRAGIC.
THEY DO GET TOGETHER, BUT...
NOT QUITE.
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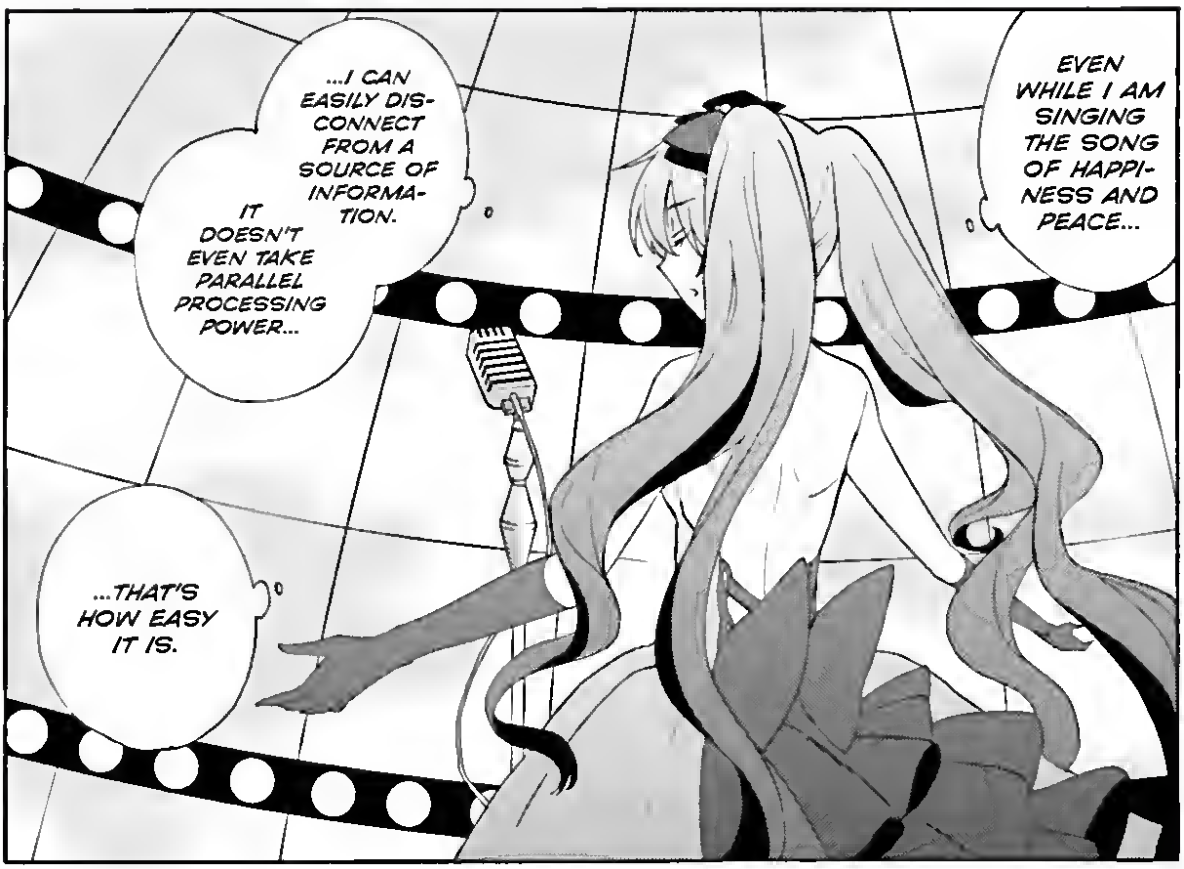
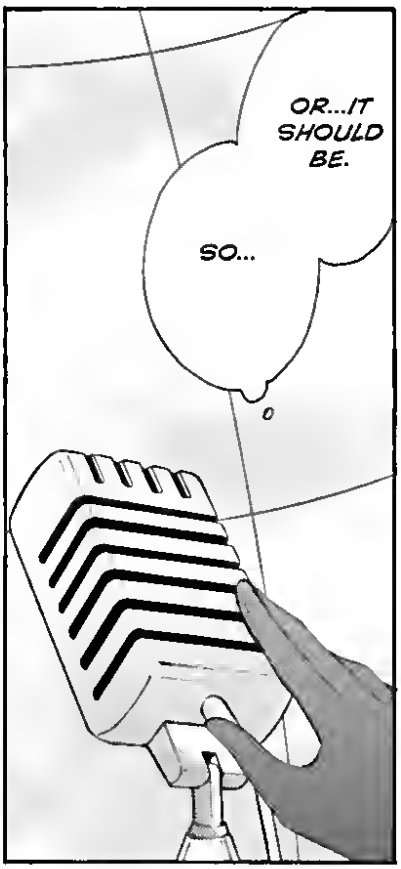
UNEAS-
INESS.
CONFU-
SION.
WHAT IS
THIS?
WHAT?
THIS IS
DEFINITELY
AN ERROR!
LEN
KINAMI.
THAT IS
HIS NAME.
I CAN SEARCH
ALL OF THE
DATA OF THE
ENTIRE CITY-
STATE...
WARNING

WARNING
WARNING
...A VIRUS THAT IS TRANSMIT-TING TO YOU EMOTIONAL DATA THAT CANNOT BE CLEANSED BY OUR SCAN-NERS.
THIS INFOR-MATION DDES NDT COME FROM A TRUSTED SDURCE.
THERE IS A POSSIBILITY OF A VIRUS.
YDU MAY ALREADY BE INFECTED WITH...
KACHA
DIS-CON-NEC-TION...
...COM-PLETE.


EVEN WHILE I AM SINGING THE SONG OF HAPPINESS AND PEACE...
...I CAN EASILY DISCONNECT FROM A SOURCE OF INFORMATION.
IT DOESN'T EVEN TAKE PARALLEL PROCESSING POWER...
...THAT'S HOW EASY IT IS.

WHY?


OR...IT SHOULD BE.
SO...

THE "SOMETHING" I DISCONNECTED FROM...
...WHERE HAS IT GONE?
HAS IT DISAPPEARED?
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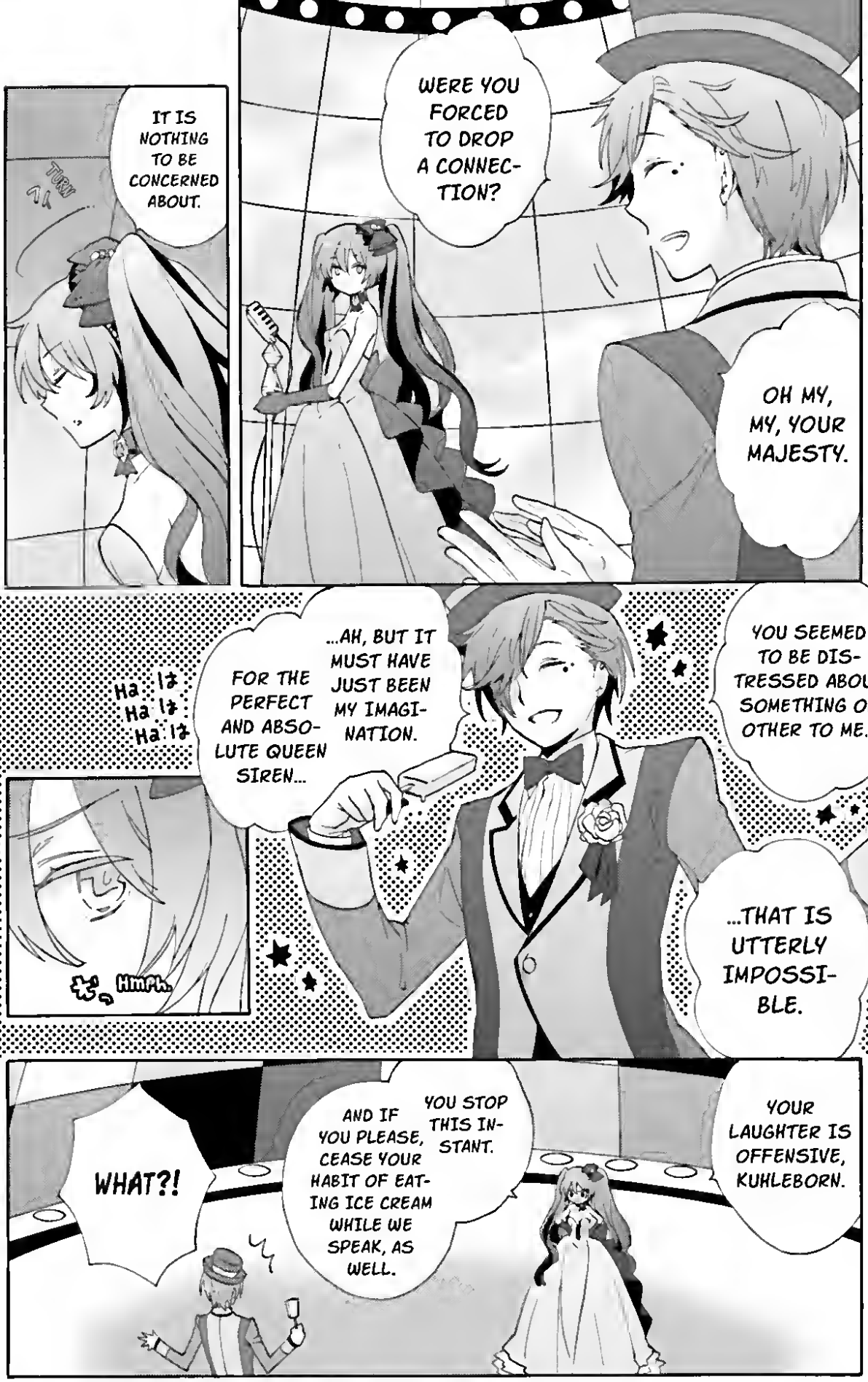
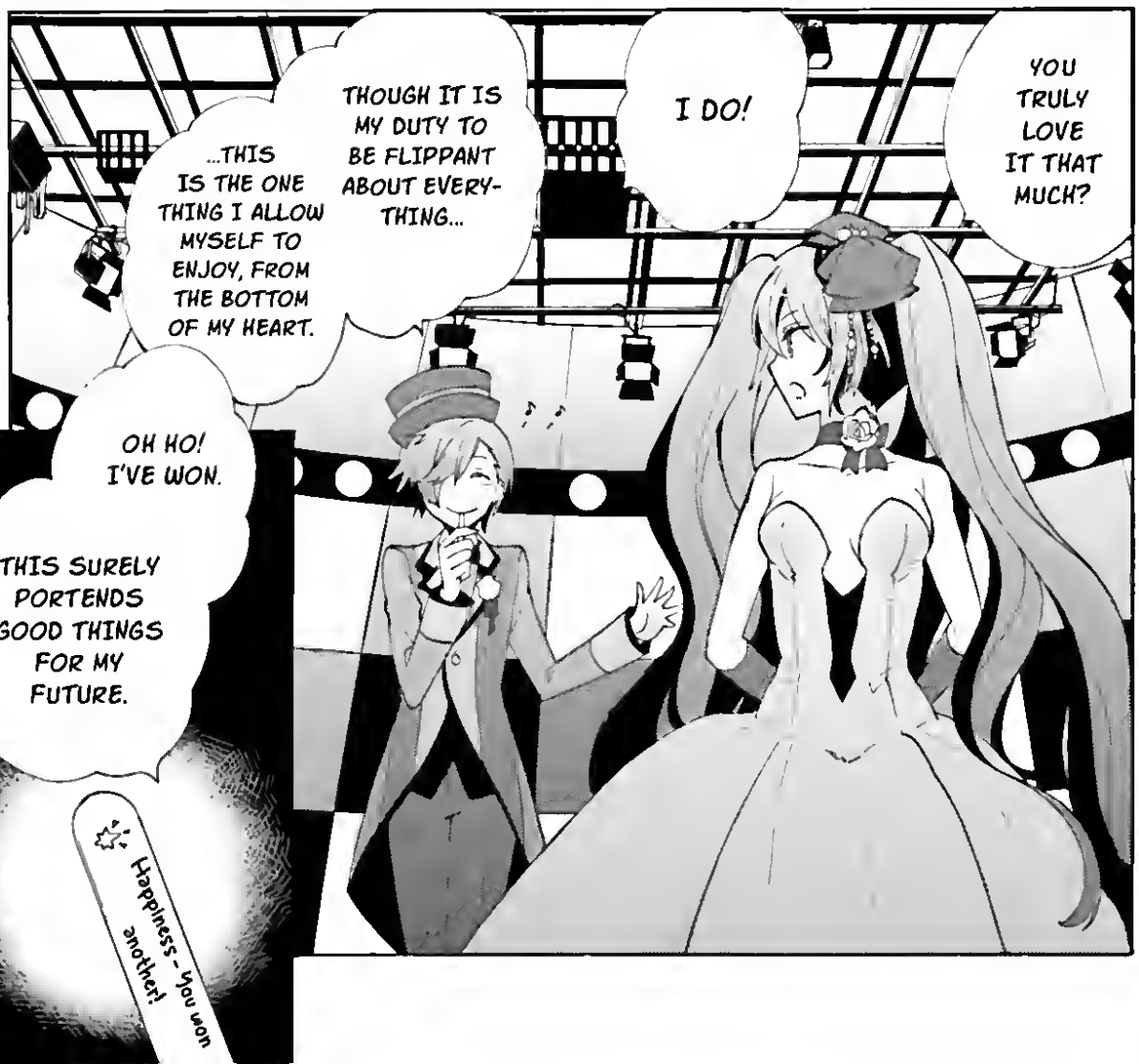
FOOM
CLAP
CLAP


IT IS NOTHING TO BE CONCERNED ABOUT.
TURN
WERE YOU FORCED TO DROP A CONNEC-TION?
OH MY, MY, YOUR MAJESTY.
YOU SEEMED TO BE DIS-TRESSED ABOUT SOMETHING OR OTHER TO ME...
...AH, BUT IT MUST HAVE JUST BEEN MY IMAGI-NATION.
FOR THE PERFECT AND ABSO-LUTE QUEEN SIREN...
Ha Ha Ha
HmPh.
...THAT IS UTTERLY IMPOSSI-BLE.
YOUR LAUGHTER IS OFFENSIVE, KUHLEBORN.
YOU STOP THIS IN-STANT.
AND IF YOU PLEASE, CEASE YOUR HABIT OF EAT-ING ICE CREAM WHILE WE SPEAK, AS WELL.
WHAT?!

FINE, THEN.
ICEPOP
PLEASE, HAVE MERCY...
NO...
I CAN'T STOP EATING THESE...
IT WOULD BE THE WORST OF FATES FOR ME...
PLEASE, YOUR MAJESTY...


YOU TRULY LOVE IT THAT MUCH?
I DO!
THOUGH IT IS MY DUTY TO BE FLIPPANT ABOUT EVERY-THING...
...THIS IS THE ONE THING I ALLOW MYSELF TO ENJOY, FROM THE BOTTOM OF MY HEART.
OH HO! I'VE WON.
THIS SURELY PORTENDS GOOD THINGS FOR MY FUTURE.
Happiness - You won another!

THIS IS THE FIRST TIME I'VE EATEN THAT PARTICULAR KIND.
IT'S ASTONISHING THAT I GOT A WINNER SO QUICKLY.
I SEE.
IF IT MAKES YOU HAPPY.
IT DOES! IT DOES INDEED, MY LADY!
AHH, I CAN HARDLY WAIT.
MY GOODNESS.
THOUGH HE IS SOMEWHAT HANDSOME...
...IT'S QUITE A SHAME HE HAS SUCH A TERRIBLE PERSONALITY.
COMPARED TO...
COMPARED...
"COMPARED?"
COMPARED TO WHAT?
I FEEL LIKE THERE WAS SOMETHING...
SOMETHING...

.....
I AM PERFECT AND ABSOLUTE, SO THE FACT THAT I CANNOT REMEMBER...
...MUST MEAN...
...THAT IT IS NOT TERRIBLY IMPORTANT AFTER ALL.
WHAT IS KUHLEBORN REALLY THINKING AS HE WATCHES THE QUEEN WITH AN UNSETTLED SMILE? THE NEXT CHAPTER PICKS UP ONE YEAR IN THE FUTURE...